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Please AMEND the specification as indicated below:

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Disclosure of the Invention Summary

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~~In accordance with one aspect of it, the present invention provides a communications network, in particular for telephony, as specified in the independent claim. The dependent claims refer to advantageous preferred embodiments of the invention.~~

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Further features and advantages ~~of the present invention~~ are apparent in the detailed description below, with reference to the accompanying drawings, which illustrate a preferred embodiment of a communication network, in particular for telephony, without limited the scope of its application, and in which:

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Description of the Illustrative Embodiment Detailed Description

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~~The A~~ communications network, in particular for telephony, ~~in accordance with the present invention~~, is labeled with the numeral 1 in the accompanying drawings.

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~~The present invention brings~~networks described herein generally provide certain
~~important~~ advantages.

First, an entire communications network ~~made in accordance with the present invention~~ is extremely economical to set up, since the optic fibre used is minimised.

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The ~~invention networks and its components~~ described ~~herein may be~~ can be subject to modifications and variations without thereby departing from the scope of the ~~inventive~~ ~~concept~~ claims. Moreover, all the ~~elements~~ details of the network and its components ~~invention~~ may be substituted ~~by~~ with technically equivalent elements.